

Leadership Roles



A strong state association is built upon individuals who assume leadership roles and effectively fulfill those roles. The success of these leaders is dependent upon a commitment to the role and the organization, the skills and abilities to carry out those responsibilities, and the support of the organization and its members.

In addition to the leadership provided by the State Action Team, adult leadership is provided through these established leadership positions:

The **STATE ADVISORS** have primary responsibility for the operation of the state association. In Missouri the state advisors are employees of the Department of Elementary and Secondary Education with DECA as part of their job description. The state advisors' responsibilities range from membership and new chapter development to conference planning to fiduciary responsibility for the state association.

The **BOARD OF DIRECTORS** has primary responsibility for establishing policies for the operation of the state association. Six chapter advisors, each representing two districts, are elected by those districts for three year terms on the Board.

The **DECA INCORPORATED REPRESENTATIVES** are Missouri's representatives on the corporate board of DECA. They attend the annual meeting of DECA, INC. to fulfill their responsibilities of membership. The number of representatives for any state is based upon membership. Missouri currently has three representatives. The positions are filled by the State Advisors and the President of the Board of Directors.

The **DISTRICT ADVISORS** are selected by each district to provide leadership for all district activities, except those directly related to competitive events. District advisors work closely with the District Vice-President.

The **DISTRICT COMPETITIVE EVENT DIRECTORS** are selected by the State Advisor to operate the competitive events program in each district. The Competitive Events Directors plan and conduct the District Career Development Conference and process the chapter registrations for the State Career Development Conference.

The **STATE OFFICER ADVISORS** are selected by the State Advisor to assist with the training of the State Action Team and to coordinate their program of activities through out the year. The State Officer Advisors also assist with officer elections at the State CDC and International CDC.

The **LEADERSHIP ACADEMY DIRECTORS** are selected by the State Advisor. They provide leadership training during the Fall Leadership Conference and for the Leadership Delegates at the State CDC.